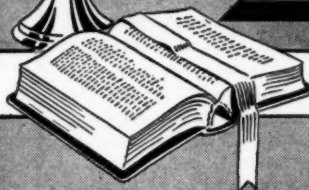


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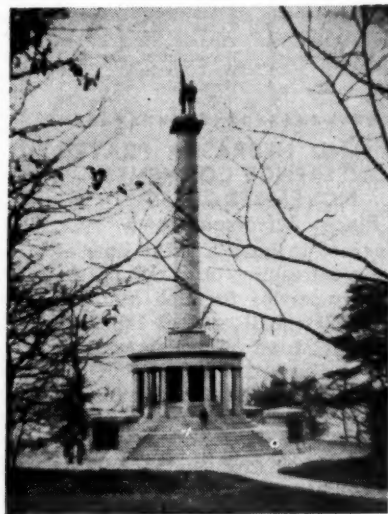
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The Psalm of Life



*Tell me not, in mournful numbers,
Life is but an empty dream!
For the soul is dead that slumbers,
And things are not what they seem.*

*Life is real! Life is earnest!
And the grave is not its goal;
"Dust thou art, to dust returnest"
Was not spoken of the soul.*

*Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,
Is our destined end or way;
But to act, that each tomorrow
Find us farther than today.*

*Art is long, and Time is fleeting,
And our hearts, though stout and
brave,
Still, like muffled drums, are beating
Funeral marches to the grave.*

*In the world's broad field of battle,
In the bivouac of life,
Be not like dumb, driven cattle!
Be a hero in the strife!*

*Trust no Future, how'er pleasant!
Let the dead Past bury its dead!
Act, act in the living Present!
Heart within, and God o'erhead!*

*Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.*

*Footprints, that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
Seeing, shall take heart again.*

*Let us then be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.*

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow,
1807-1882.

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WE BELIEVE

1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism with the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Church of God *Evangel* extends congratulations to the Church of God *Gospel Herald* on its thirteenth anniversary.

"It was during the month of November, 1936, that we mailed out to all the local churches the first issue of the *Church of God Gospel Herald*. November 26, 1949 marks the 13th birthday of this great paper.—P. C. Hickson."



P. C. HICKSON, EDITOR-PUBLISHER

EVANGEL SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM OCTOBER 10 THROUGH OCTOBER 17

Alabama	31	Missouri	4
Arizona	4	New Mexico	1
Arkansas	4	New Jersey	1
Canada	1	North Carolina	11
Florida	56	Nevada	2
Foreign	2	Ohio	4
Georgia	113	Oklahoma	11
Illinois	1	Pennsylvania	10
Indiana	5	South Carolina	8
Kansas	3	South Dakota	33
Kentucky	5	Tennessee	8
Louisiana	5	Texas	13
Maryland	6	Virginia	10
Maine	1	Washington, D. C.	1
Minnesota	1	West Virginia	5
Michigan	4	Wisconsin	1
Mississippi	1	Total	366

IOWA AND NEBRASKA PRAYER CONFERENCE CONVENES NOVEMBER 29, 30

Place: Jefferson, Iowa

We expect to have a great time of spiritual refreshing and anointing for greater service for God and His Church. We shall expect all our ministers of Iowa and Nebraska to be present and invite as many of our laymen and friends as possible to attend.

Sincerely,

Carl Cox, State Overseer

PRAYER CONFERENCES IN LOUISIANA

The ministers in session voted to continue the plans carried out last year for our ministers' Bible and prayer conferences. The first one (for the northern part of the State) will be November 8-9-10. Place, West Monroe. The first service to be 7:30 Tuesday night, then Wednesday and Thursday. The night speaker will be the Reverend L. L. Hughes, state overseer of Arkansas. The south end meeting will be held at the Bogalusa church beginning Tuesday night at 7:30. The Reverend J. D. Bright, Editor-in-Chief, will be the night speaker of this meeting. The date will be November 15-17.

ON WORLD TOUR

Our General Overseer, H. L. Chesser, and Executive Missions Secretary, J. H. Walker, began a world tour for the Church, November 4. Their trip is especially in behalf of missions, and they had planned to go only to India, but discovered that they could make the world tour for practically the same cost of this single visit, therefore they will be making the following contacts in behalf of the Church:

They will leave New York by plane, November 5, for Tunis, North Africa; from there to Palestine; then to Cairo, Egypt; thence to Madras, India, to Manila and to Laoag, of the Philippine Islands. Their last stop is to be Honolulu, Hawaii, and then back to Cleveland.

Here are some points of interest they will, of necessity, visit on this tour: Gander, Newfoundland; Azores; Lisbon, Portugal; Madrid, Spain; Algiers, North Africa; Tunis; Rome; Palestine; Lyda; Cairo, Egypt; Bombay, India; Madras; Calcutta; Bangkok, China; Hong Kong; Manila; Guam; Wake; Hawaii; and then back to San Francisco, Calif. And, of course, by the time they have spent the 7 weeks in visiting all these places, I predict that Cleveland, Tenn., will have become the "chief place" of all their visitations. Let us join in prayer that they will have a safe tour and accomplish much good for God and His Church.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

PRAY FOR:

My husband and 4 children to be saved.—Mrs. Nellie Phillips, Battle Creek, Mich.

My son; the healing of my body.—Mrs. Oscar O. Olson, Brookings, S. D.

The healing of my body.—Golden Griffin, Parma, Mo.

My mother who has been a shut-in for about 10 years.—Mrs. J. C. Whigham, Donaldsonville, Ga.

The healing of my body.—A Sister, Carrollton, Ga.

My unsaved children; the healing of my body.—Mrs. Vera Morris, Sebring, Fla.

My wife to be healed.—H. L. Berry, Searcy, Ark.

God to straighten my eye.—Mrs. Cloys Kilgore, Bulan, Ky.

My wife to be healed; my nephew and sister to be saved.—W. A. Campbell, Cleveland, S. C.

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

... Editorial ...

THE PENTECOSTAL FELLOWSHIP OF NORTH AMERICA

Oklahoma City was the host of one of the most important, though not the largest, conventions she has ever entertained, when on October 18-20, the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America held its second convention her magnificent auditorium.

The real test of a movement is to survive the tender, weak, inexperienced days of infancy. The P. F. N. A. is doing that in grand, magnificent style, as all who attended the convention readily observed. Despite the fact that there had been very little publicity given to the convention, there were approximately 2,500 people, from many states, present for the first service, and about 3,500 in attendance the last night. The opening message was delivered by Tom Johnston, of Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, who stirred our hearts greatly with the subject "Pentecostal Preachers."

Tuesday morning, following the inspiring devotion conducted by Rev. Donnah, the president, John C. Jernigan, addressed the convention on "The Purposes of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America." Following are some of the points that he stressed: First, is not over anxious about its growth; that is, would prefer to develop gradually and surely. Second, not to promote denominationalism. Third, to serve as a means of acquainting Pentecostals with each other to effect better understanding. Fourth, not interested in formulating a lot of laws. Fifth, to develop fellowship among the leaders of various denominations whose responsibility it will be to lead the regions, states, and local phases of their church work into fellowship with their fellow constituents in all these relations.

A check-up before the Convention showed ten denominations affiliated with the Fellowship, 52 authorized delegates and a total constituency of 543,755 as follows:

	Members	Delegates
Assemblies of God	273,000	15
Church of God, Cleveland, Tenn.	95,000	8
International Church Foursquare Gospel	66,600	7
Pentecostal Holiness Church	34,000	6
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	35,500	6
Open Bible Standard Churches	25,000	5
International Pentecostal Assemblies	10,000	2
Elim Missionary Assemblies	3,000	1
Church of God, Mountain Assembly	1,600	1
Church of the Bible	55	1

In order to effect a better working system in the Fellowship and assure an exchange of helpful facts and information to each affiliate organization, yet without effecting any change in denominational procedures, the following standing committees were appointed: Mission, Education, Finance, Comity, and Youth. The reports of the committees on Thursday morning showed the wisdom of the board of directors in recommending that such committees be appointed. The brethren who served on these committees disquieted themselves with great honor by the recommendations they submitted, all of which were accepted with very few modifications. The recommendation of the nominating committee that all the incumbent officers be retained for the ensuing year was approved

quickly and unanimously: John C. Jernigan, President, Church of God; E. J. Fulton, Vice-President, Open Bible Standard Church; Rev. H. P. Courtney of the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Second Vice-President; J. Roswell Flower, General Secretary, Assemblies of God; Hubert T. Spence, General Treasurer, Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Time and space would not permit me to write at length on the seven services of the convention, but I am sure I express the sentiment of everyone attending when I say that only Pentecostal people could realize and enjoy such grand times of refreshing and waves of Pentecostal glory as we received.

The ministers who were selected to deliver messages were as follows: Tuesday evening, Tom Johnston, Pentecostal Assembly of Canada; subject "Pentecostal Preachers." Wednesday morning, the Reverend Donnah, pastor, local Assembly of God; subject, "Lost and Found." Wednesday afternoon, address by David J. du Plessis, Executive Secretary, World Pentecostal Fellowship, Lee College. Message by Dr. Howard Courtney, International Church of the Foursquare Gospel; text, Gal. 2:20; theme "The Cross." Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Dr. Sidney Correll, Editor of *Missionary Digest*, Dayton, Ohio; subject, "Missions." Thursday, 9 a. m., R. O. Corvin, President, Southwestern College of the Pentecostal Holiness Church; text, Matt. 10:16. Thursday afternoon, Wesley Steelberg, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God; scripture lesson, Ephesians 1; subject, "The Lord's Table." At the close of his message, we observed Holy Communion, and it was, in deed and in truth, a never-to-be-forgotten service. Thursday, 7 p. m., James L. Slay, member of the Supreme Council and pastor of Church of God, Kannapolis, N. C.; subject, "Second Coming of Jesus." The Reverend Slay, as did all the other ministers, preached a wonderful sermon and stirred our hearts to keep the faith and carry on for God and His Church until His Son descends from heaven.

The various convention committees are to be commended for their untiring, faithful and efficient services, and I am sure the entire convention joins me in saying thanks to them a million! We would not forget the numerous musicians, special singers, and the choirs, without whose talented and consecrated services the convention never could have realized the success that it did.

Plans are already being made to assure greater attendance and, if at all possible, a greater convention on the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America's third birthday. May we have your cooperation and prayers to that effect. Let us remember that, "we are labourers together with God," and that from the highest official in all the Pentecostal denominations that constitute the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America down to every layman, the responsibility is ours to cooperate with those of like faith in promoting and maintaining such fellowship as will enable us as Pentecostals to accomplish the greatest amount of good, for the Church, in the shortest length of time possible. It is our privilege through the Fellowship, to help God answer this prayer of the Lord Jesus, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and has loved them, as thou has loved me," St. John 17: 21-23. And all the people said, "Amen!"

... Missions Page ...

J. H. WALKER, Executive Missions Secretary

FROM THE EXECUTIVE MISSIONS SECRETARY'S DESK

(We have chosen one of many such letters received by the Missions Department to pass on to the readers of the *Evangel*.)

Dear Brother Walker:

I received your lovely letter dated August 30, which gave me great satisfaction because of the interest you have shown in the evangelization of Spain, so submerged in darkness through ignorance in not knowing the gospel of salvation that the Divine Master commanded to be preached to all nations. Poor Spain has been one of the largest prisoners that Rome has had in its power. Only the King of kings can remove it. I am still praising God for the prayers you are sending to the heavenly throne that this country may obtain religious freedom as you have in your country, which I shall never forget because it was there that I was born again in 1934. Glory to God!

Brother Herbert, there are many Christians here that would make a fine congregation, but the governor does not wish to give me permission to open a church because of the opposition and persecution on the part of the civil and ecclesiastical authorities. You cannot imagine what this persecution is doing. I have been told that the sergeant of the body of rural police has given orders that if I am seen with a group of three or four on the street that the headquarters be notified to arrest and imprison me. The civil authorities cannot make me leave the town, because by my birth and religion I may lawfully remain, but they are trying to find the slightest excuse to be able to banish me and make the people believe that the gospel has been a failure. However, the authorities know very well that I have said I will leave Hornachos only in two ways: a prisoner for a penitentiary or a corpse for a cemetery. Many people have heard the gospel through my mouth, and many others have read it by tracts and books I have distributed, which are highly prized by those who read them. Now I have an invitation from a lady (a widow of a captain who informs me that she wishes to know me personally as she has heard of me and wishes to call on me.) This lady is an intimate friend of a doctor

here who is well known to me, with whom I have had frequent conversations. I must take advantage of this opportunity God has given me without looking to the right or to the left.

The work continues firmly but slowly, because of opposition and persecution. You shall continue to hear from this work if there are no hindrances in the mail. With greetings from these brethren to all of you, I am your servant and brother in Christ.—Custodio Apolo, Hornachos, Spain.

CONDITIONS IN EUROPE

The following information was received at this office and we are passing it on to you that you may better understand under what circumstances our dear Brother Lauster and others there are working.

"There are two Europes today. One is the Europe of the casual tourist, where an American with plenty of dollars can have superb food, sparkling entertainment, and excellent service; the Europe of plenty, but the Europe that the majority of the people of Europe cannot know. The other Europe is the real Europe, which I saw intimately. I talked with waiters, barbers, bank clerks, cab drivers, stenographers, machinists, train conductors; I visited sixteen homes in London alone. I dropped in at lunch time and nowhere did I find them having more than a slice of bread, or at most two, and a cup of tea. I visited French villages and found that a maid must work three days to buy a new apron; a carpenter must work a week to buy a new hammer. I found families living in caves hollowed out of hillsides, in Rome; other families of ten or twelve were living in one or two rooms in ancient, dark tenements . . . and these people are not slum-dwelling derelicts, either; they are clerks, office workers and skilled factory workers—people like you and me. I saw men in Berlin who were as intelligent and able as your banker or merchant, with complexions gray for want of proper food, clad in suits worn threadbare through ten years of wear. They were picking up sticks, bits of paper, pieces of cardboard boxes to help keep them warm this winter. I saw a quiet young German burst into tears of pathetic joy when a breakfast of eggs and bacon

was placed before him. Breakfast in Berlin is likely to be thin soup made from potato peelings from last night's dinner, a slice of black bread, and maybe a cup of weak coffee. I visited refugee camps—there are eight million refugees in western Germany—and saw men and women of forty who looked sixty-five. Boys and girls ten years of age looked much older in the face.

"Yes, conditions are better—black bread is better than no bread at all . . . thin pea or potato peeling soup is better than none . . . existence is better than starvation. Europe is that much better."

What are we to do now? Are we weary in well doing? Have we done enough? We may not be able to feed and clothe these poor unfortunate people as we should like, but let us supply our missionaries there with the needed financial help to get the gospel to them. Poverty sometimes humbles people and gives them more receptive hearts for the gospel. There seems to be a revival spirit in Germany now. Every letter we receive from our missionaries there is similar to Brother Lauster's letter in last issue. While the revival fires are burning, let us strengthen their hands so they can keep those young people encouraged and working and thereby get all the people saved possible. Communism is very close to them. We sincerely hope they will be able to save many before they are hindered.

Remember, all money sent to the Missions Department designated for Brother Lauster will be sent to him, as requested.

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India's Christian Pilgrim
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Again, in his choice of subject and his treatment of it, Dr. Miller has emphasized his skill and discernment as a Christian biographer.

In this unusual portrait of an unusual woman he catches the missionary's subtle blend of spirit which combined great compassion with an almost fierce devotion to duty. The discipline of disappointment, the joy of revival among her own people, the labor of preparing Scripture translations for India's salvation-hungry millions, the triumph of seeing oppressed women and girls become valiant witnesses for Christ—these were places of remembrance along the spiritual road of "India's Christian Pilgrim."

To begin this book is to be intrigued. To continue it is to be fascinated.

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Let Us Run

E. L. SIMMONS, State Overseer of Georgia

Heb. 12:1, 2, "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

The apostle Paul had just completed his catalog of the heroes of faith recorded in the eleventh chapter. After picking out their marvelous achievements, and accomplishments through faith, even though they had braved great persecutions, he called them to witness as to how God would help those who dared to trust Him. Paul had evidently been an athlete in his earlier days. He could think of the Christian pilgrimage as a fight and a race. It was a contest and a reward, both before a large group of spectators sitting around the arena looking on with eager eyes as those who had enlisted in the fight or race put forth every effort in the contest to win the prize which had been offered the winner.

Paul knew this fight was not an exact parallel of that which took place in the Roman theater, for in it only a few could take part, but every Christian could enlist in the race for God, and there were hundreds of those who had enlisted in the race of faith who had come out victorious and won the prize. The Roman race required dieting, few clothes, long, and strenuous practice; whereas this race required but one thing above all others, and that was that the participants have full and complete faith in God, recognize the faith of those who had gone before them and keep their eyes upon Jesus, the Author and Finisher of that faith from which they had so freely drawn.

Three things presented themselves as being necessary in Paul's Christian race, and these are no less necessary to our entry today. First, we must be fully cognizant of the fact there are others who have been in the race to whose record we can look for inspi-

ration. "If others have done it, then I can do it, too," is the way the individual feels about his contest. Those heroes mentioned in the eleventh chapter, Abraham, Moses, David, Samson, and finally a large group, were enough to keep him justified in any endeavor which he wished to undertake. Yes, what others had done, he could do; especially if he had the same faith which they had. Then there was something for him. He realized that there were those obstacles over which he himself had control, weights of doubt and weights of fear, which he could lay aside and make more rapid progress. Is it not true today that the things which hinder us, which keep us from making progress are no more than doubts and fears which come to us constantly? Paul said, Let us lay them aside. Third, the object of the race was the final goal, and Paul describes the one upon which he must constantly keep his eyes as Jesus, the Author and Finisher of this great race

WESTERN CANADA CONVENTION

The annual ministers' meeting of Western Canada convened at the International Bible College, October 22, 23. All ministers were indeed pleased and honored to have our Assistant General Overseer, Brother Zeno C. Tharp, with us. His good advice, seasoned with years of experience, was greatly appreciated. The ministers left the meeting with renewed zeal to see the Church of God continue to prosper here and God's name glorified.

The Church of God is definitely on the move in Western Canada, and Brother Tharp predicted that we will be as strong here as we are in the South in time to come. We believe this, too!—Yours very truly, Rev. J. Andrew Rafferty, Reporter of the Ministers' Meeting.

Divinely Healed

"Forget not the Lord and all his benefits." I am 82 years old. I had a bad ailment. I was in the cancer hospital three different times

of faith. This leaves us to understand that whatever our goal may be, or whatever our objective in a Christian life work that we have it only as we look to Jesus. There is no fear when we are looking to Him.

The apostle Peter's heart was filled with fear only when he lost sight of the Lord and looked upon the bolsterous waves that were slapping about his feet. As long as he kept his eyes on Jesus, he walked on the waters. Many things that are set before us as a goal or as a program may seem as hard as walking on the waters, but none of them will be hard if we just keep our eyes constantly on Him, and always realize that what we are doing, we are doing it for God and His Church, for Christ is the Head of the Church; so let us see that we take as our witnesses those who have had faith and have conquered. Let us see to it that every weight, regardless of what that weight may be, is laid aside and that there is nothing to hinder us in whatever we have desired to do, or whatever is laid upon us to do for the promotion of the cause of Christ, having implicit confidence in God, and having implicit confidence in His Son, who suffered and died that we might be able to carry on for Him and His Church.

and used two doctors here at home, to no avail. The doctors said I did not have long to stay here, that the worst might come any time. I was down to skin and bones, living on raw eggs and gelatine, when Brother E. Long came into our community and prayed for me. Through prayer, by faith, I was healed. I am back to normal weight, have good appetite, and can eat anything. I am praising the Lord for healing me.—Mrs. Jane Jackson, Point Lookout, Mo.

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Enclosed is \$1.00 to renew my *Evangel* for eight months. Thanks, Brother Bright, for the kind letter. It made me think more about the paper. I love the little paper and love my church, which is the Church of God.—Mrs. Ireland Ferrell, Gassaway, Tenn.

Thank you for the nice letter and interest you have taken in me. I was sorry to let my *Evangel* drop. I had rather do without food than my *Evangel*, so I'll tell you why I let it drop. My husband and I are midgets. He is three and one-half feet tall and I am three feet ten inches tall, so you see, we cannot work as normal people. I teach music and he raises truck and garden products. Since polio has been so bad my work has closed down quite a bit. I feel it will start again soon and as soon as I have the \$1.50, my name will again go on your *Evangel* roll.—Pearl Milligan, Sesser, Ill.

MILO, Mo.—I thank God for what He means to me. I thank Him for the *Evangel*, also for the wonderful way He answers prayer. My daughter was bitten on the finger by a snake and her fingers turned black on the ends and one become quite sore, otherwise she has suffered no ill effect. Please pray for me as something is wrong with my hands.—Mrs. W. B. Kerns.

GERMANIA, Miss.—I was suffering terribly in my side. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify of it through the *Evangel*, and He instantly healed me.—Mrs. Sam Howell.

OMEGA, Ga.—For two years I have been fighting a losing battle. One night I placed the *Evangel* on my body and prayed for God to heal me. I am much better and hope to be healed completely.—Mrs. J. L. Cox.

LEXINGTON, N. C.—I praise God for healing me. I placed the *Evangel* on my body and asked the Lord to heal me. I got up this morning feeling good, with a song ringing in my soul all day.—Mrs. Roy Edwards.

I am just Grandma Douglas, but surely do love my pastor and his fami-

ly and all the dear sisters.

As I have been quite busy I had to let my *Evangel*s pile up, but now I have caught up, and can do more reading. I enjoy reading the *Evangel*. It is one of the best papers in the world!

Best wishes to all who labor in the office of the *Evangel*.—Grandma Douglas, Wimauma, Florida.

Words can never express how much we love and appreciate the *Evangel*. I can hardly wait from one time to another for my paper to arrive. Any home that doesn't have the *Evangel* in it doesn't know what it is missing. It really is food for my soul.—Mrs. Basil Smith, Mt. Olive, Miss.

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I read the *Evangel* and always look forward to it every week. It surely does have some good reading in it.—A Sister, Grottoes, Va.

I am sending in for nine *Evangel*s and enclosing a check for \$11.25. We surely enjoy the paper. We are planning to send more subscriptions in a few days. We have on a drive in our Y. P. E. and it surely is going over.—A. J. Murray.

Enclosed is a check for \$1.50 to renew my subscription to the *Evangel*. I am sorry I let it run out, but we are living in such a rush today we don't have time to do all the things we want to do, and I am one of those who are busy and never get caught up. But I never fail to take time to read the *Evangel* and God's Word and pray to Him. Oh, He is so good to me; I can never thank Him enough.—O. D. Lewis, Seattle, Washington.

work of the church through the medium of what is known as the "Ladies' Willing Workers' Band."

Many churches have a detailed outline of their activities so as to pass it on to others, which helps everyone to have something a little different.

Occasionally, there are those who have bakes, make name quilts, pot holders, aporns, clothespin bags, etc. which are sold and the monies turned into some church project.

I shall be very glad to get acquainted with your accomplishments and in order for me to do so, I felt it would be nice for you to report to me each month. We are making some report forms in the state office which we will mail to you in order to simplify your reporting.

May the Lord help you in all your efforts.—Sister G. W. Lane, State Pres.

The Most Neglected Mission Field

"FEED MY LAMBS," JOHN 21:15

When we think of mission fields we usually think either of heathens far away or of near-by prodigals who somehow are lost to the church. Both of these groups are calloused to gospel influence by fixed habits of racial prejudice and sinful indulgence.

There is one more mission field. It is most basic in character, most inexpensive to work, and most susceptible to Christian influence. This field is closer to us than the closest heathen land; it is nearer than the nearest street corner where the gospel is brought. This mission field is our Christian home—the mission subjects are our little children. In contemplating mission fields, this home field is the most overlooked and consequently the most neglected.

Our Children Must Be Taught the Gospel

As Christian parents we possess the three-fold office of all believers: As *prophets* we must instruct our children in the way OF THE LORD; as *priests* we must lead them TO THE LORD; and as *kings* we must discipline them IN THE WORD.

In presenting them with the truth of the gospel, we are not trying to save our children. This, Christ alone can do. As faithful stewards we are introducing them to the spiritual heritage which, by faith, is theirs in Christ.

Although we cannot save our children, we can cause them to be lost because of our failure to obey God's law to train them in the fear of God. "My people," saith the Lord, "are destroyed for lack of knowledge," and He significantly adds, "seeing that thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I also will forget thy children" (Hos. 4:6). If our children are not taught the truth of the gospel, they will be no more saved than the children of benighted heathendom to whom the gospel has not been brought.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that we Christians, by and large, bring up our children in well nigh complete ignorance of the fundamentals of gospel truth as this is set forth, say, in the book of Romans. The family altar, that erstwhile power of Christian influence, has, generally speaking, been overthrown in the hustle and bustle of modern life. There

is a sharing of earthly pleasures in the family circle but little or no sharing of the true spiritual joy which is ours in Christ Jesus. The blessed name of our Lord may still appear on some wall text as an heirloom of a better day, but it can hardly be said to be a household word. We steep ourselves in newspapers, magazines, novels, yes, but the Word of God...

We appoint missionaries to evangelize heathendom. Know this, God has appointed us parents to evangelize our children. If we do not instruct our children in gospel truth, then our children will be lost and we may rightly be held responsible for their lost condition. What a tremendous responsibility is ours!

Parental Inability No Excuse

Many of us seek to excuse ourselves by contending that we are not able to evangelize our own children. But God made no mistake when He declared that parents must bring up their children. Instead of shirking the responsibility which God has placed at our door, let us prayerfully assume it. Remember also these words of Scripture, "If any provideth not for his own, and especially his own household, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever" (1 Tim.

5:8, R. V.). Where assistance is needed, procure helpful literature. Remember God's command stands: "Fathers, bring them (your children) up in the discipline and instruction OF THE LORD." (Ephesians 6:4. S. R. V.)

Poor Missionary Strategy

Some Christian parents assume that they are discharging their evangelizing responsibility toward their children by giving them a half hour of Christian instruction in the Sunday School, while at the same time they set aside approximately thirty hours a week to indoctrinate them in a view of life which, by Supreme Court ruling, must exclude all gospel teaching. What is worse, in much of this week-day instruction, unbelieving teachers undermine whatever gospel teaching has been given in home or in Sunday School. What poor missionary strategy, this!

My fellow home missionaries, let us not neglect our greatest mission field of which we parents are the missionaries. Let us be aroused to our God-given duty to evangelize our children. Let us not allow our feeble home efforts at training our children in the Lord to be undermined by a strong day-school program which implicitly, if not explicitly, denies our Lord. Let us re-enforce our Christian home training with Christian school education lest we surrender our children, as well as our nation, to inevitable paganism.

—Mark Fakkema

A Nail in a Sure Place

By REV. G. W. LANE, State Overseer
Delaware, Maryland, and D. C.

Isa. 22:23, "I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place."

It is God's will that His people be as a nail in a sure place and fastened sufficiently to hold something. I doubt that there is anyone who doesn't have a nail somewhere that he uses frequently. You don't have to look for it, but can just put your hand on it. I see people come to church who have certain nails to hang their hats on. It becomes natural to reach for that certain nail and it is always there. Oh, that God's people would be determined to be as a nail fastened in a sure place!

We become so negligent and slothful sometimes that when we are expected

to be at our post we are somewhere else, and our service is not much benefit. The trouble is, we are not fastened. To fasten is to get a firm hold, and that is what we need. To be dependable is to be where we should be at the time we should be. When a church makes progress, it will be because of some nails in a sure place. Of course, we can be depended upon when there is "music and dancing in the house," because that is what we like. The Lord wants us to have the rejoicing, but He didn't say "leave when the shout is over." Stay in your place, ready for anything that may come. Someone had to build the house in which to rejoice.

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Why Millions Do Not Call

REVIEWING THE BLASPHEMOUS TITLES THAT ROMAN CATHOLIC POPES HAVE TAKEN FOR THEMSELVES

By J. B. ROWELL, Th.D.

"To make America Catholic" is the acknowledged program and purpose of the Roman Church, as expressed by her spokesman, the Most Rev. John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul, in his work entitled "The Church and Modern Society."

In harmony with this specific aim, the Knights of Columbus, 700,000 strong (according to their own figures), have set themselves to deluge the Western Hemisphere with advertising in a number of the leading magazines. While these advertisements sadly and deliberately misrepresent the case, the general public are not to know this; consequently, it seems necessary for Protestants to make reply. The fact that these advertisements cost around \$500 each for a single issue is indicative of the determination of the Roman Church to present her claims to the people.

We shall give some consideration to the advertisement of the Knights of Columbus appearing in *Maclean's Magazine*, March 1, 1949, with a picture of the Pope, and the caption, "Why Millions Call Him 'Holy Father.'" In this comparatively brief statement, we shall tell why millions do NOT call the Pope "Holy Father."

A Few Blasphemous Titles

The Roman priest, the Rev. J. Balmes, in his book, "European Civilization," presents the titles of the Pope as given by St. Francis de Sales. It will come as a shock to many sincere Christians to know of such blasphemous titles given to a man. The reader is urged to ponder the imlications of the following titles from the list: "Most Holy Bishop of the Catholic Church"; "Most Blessed Lord"; "Chief of the Church in the World"; "Vicar of Jesus Christ"; "The Sovereign Pontiff"; "Abraham by the Patriarchate"; "Melchisedech by ordination"; "Moses by authority"; "Samuel by jurisdiction"; "Peter by power"; "Christ by unction." "The Supreme See which cannot be judged by any other" (p. 423).

Millions, who have no interest in religion do not call the Pope by that

name. Millions who do call him by that name do so because they have never considered its implications. Millions deny to the Pope the title of "Holy Father" because it is the title that belongs to Deity alone. The only time it occurs in the Scriptures is in our Lord's high priestly prayer, where He addressed the Heavenly Father: "Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou has given me, that they may be one, as we are" (John 17:11).

When we consider the holiness and majesty of God the Father as given in His Word, our hearts bow in reverential awe. "Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders?" "Holv. holv. holy. Lord God almighty" (Exod. 15:11; Rev. 4:8). Then when we are told that this title, peculiar to *The Lord God Almighty*, is accorded a fellow sinner, our hearts revolt against it as sheer blasphemy.

"Holy Father" condenses the Old and New Testament expressions into one—the *Holy* of the Old Testament, and the *new Name*, Father. Here was our Lord's appeal for the believer's safekeeping, on the ground of God's holiness.

In explaining the statement, "Why Millions Call Him 'Holy Father,'" the article affirms, "We find the answer, of course, not necessarily in the holiness of the man himself, but in his Christ-given office." The Roman Church has found it necessary to state this somewhat frequently, since the vile living and utter wickedness of a number of the Popes is a matter of history. The Bishops of the Council of Constance made this pronouncement regarding Pope John XXIII, "From the time of his youth he hath evermore been a man of ill disposition, unshamefaced, unchaste, dishonest, &c." (*Art. contr. John xxiii. in Concil. Constant., etc.*)

Such outstanding historians and writers of the Roman Church as Labbe and Cossart, who were Jesuits; Platina, once Vatican librarian; Du Pin, and others tell the awful story

of the depravity of many of the Popes, who were supposed to be successors of Peter. These include Sergius III, A. D. 904; Pope John X, in 915; John XII, in 956; Boniface VII, in 947; John XIV, in 984; Benedict IX, in 1033; Innocent III, in 1198; Gregory XII, in 1406; Alexander VI, in 1492; Leo X, in 1513; and many more. Even Cardinal Baronius wrote of the shame and grief which filled many hearts because of the "many monsters horrible to behold" who were intruded into the seat of the Popes. Cardinal Newman made a like confession.

Millions do not call the Pope "Holy Father" because it lends support to other arrogant titles. For instance, "Our Most Holy Lord" (*Sanctissimus Dominus noster; Can. et Decret. Concil. Trid.*) This leads to that which is in kinship with pagan worship, as described by the Jesuit writer, P. J. Chandlery, S. J., in his book, "Pilgrimage Walks in Rome," published in 1905. He describes the doings in the Vatican in connection with "the bronze figure of St. Peter... the foot of which is reverently kissed by the faithful." Continuing, he says: "Every year on St. Peter's feast it is robbed in a cope of gold brocade, crowned with a jewelled tiara, and invested with other pontifical insignia. An interminable line of persons passes before it, each one kissing the right foot to testify his reverence for the Prince of the Apostles, and bending down his head to receive St. Peter's blessing" (p. 19).

Looking Away from Christ

The Roman Church designating the Pope "Our Most Holy Lord" turns the gaze of her devotees from the infinite God to mortal man, even to the point of the abject kissing of his toe, or that of an image. The writer recalls seeing a gentleman, with an expression of great devotion, kissing the right toe of the image of Peter in Westminster Cathedral, London. The Jesuit writer, P. J. Chandlery seeks to emphasize such groveling devotion at the feet of the high and lofty pontiff, where he says: "The privilege of kneeling at the Vicar of Christ's feet

Call the Pope "Holy Father"

and receiving his blessing is one that will never be forgotten. We are there kneeling at the feet of him, whom, St. Bernard, writing to Pope Eugenius III in the twelfth century, styles Prince of Bishops, Heir of the Apostles, Guide of Nations, Refuge of the Oppressed, Advocate of the Poor, Terror of the Wicked, Father of Kings, Priest of the Most High, Vicar of Christ.... We grow bewildered as we think of all the majesty and power which that venerable figure represents" (*ut supra*, p. 439).

In contradistinction to the audacious claims of this Roman priest, intruding himself into the place of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Word of God tells of only one who is "Lord of all." "The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: he is Lord of all" (Acts 10:36). "Art thou not from everlasting, O Lord my God, mine Holy One?" (Hab. 1:12).

As Christians, we reject the Pope's title of "Holy Father" because on this it is claimed *he can stop the course of sacramental mercies*. Cardinal Newman, speaking of the Pope, writes: "He can judge, and he can acquit; he can command, and he can permit; he can forbid, and he can punish. He has a supreme jurisdiction over the people of God. He can stop the ordinary course of sacramental mercies; he can excommunicate from the ordinary grace of redemption.... We must never oppose his will, or dispute his word, or criticize his policy or shrink from his side" (See "Obligations of Catholics to the Holy See").

Why Excommunications Are Vain

We might well thank our Heavenly Father that the grace of redemption places the believer where neither man nor demon can touch him, or tamper with his security. Our Lord has given us the assurance, "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand"; for no creature "shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (John 10:28; Rom. 8:38, 39). When the Pope threatens his vain excommunications, the child of God can exclaim, "The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me" (Heb. 13:6).

We reject the Pope's title of "Holy Father" because it leads to a further claim; namely, that he is *the supreme arbiter of all the earth*.

Long ago the Roman Church addressed herself to the task of *making America Catholic*. Rome has specialists for every department, and many of these are Jesuits. In a three-volume work, entitled "The Jesuits of the Middle United States," this fact is clearly set forth. Much space is given to tell of the parochial missions and aggressive labors of the Jesuit missionary, Father F. X. Weninger, who was commended by Pope Pius IX. We read of him, "The career of Father Weninger is an episode of importance in the story of the upbuilding of Catholicism in the United States" (Vol. II, p. 53).

It is well to know the principles that actuate the zealous workers of the Roman Church in America, Canada, and elsewhere. These principles are expressly stated in their writings. For example, this same missionary, F. X. Weninger, who is described as "Missionary of the Society of Jesus," published an authoritative work, entitled, "On the Apostolical and Infallible Authority of the Pope." In writing of princes and peoples acknowledging the prerogatives of the Pope, he says that kings and emperors "loved to receive their crowns at his hands and to place their dominions under the special guarantee and protection of the Holy See"; and "with what veneration they looked upon him as the Vicar of Christ and the Supreme Arbiter of all on earth" (p. 229).

Jesuit Weninger further designates the Pope as "the one Judge, holding the place of Christ." All these claims are in harmony with the recent demands of the Roman Church that the Pope be given the place of leadership at a world-conference peace table. Far from recognizing any man as *supreme arbiter and judge, holding the place of Christ*, the Word of God accords this position to One only, in the words, "O Lord God... thou judge of the earth" (Psa. 94:1, 2).

We further reject the Pope's title of "Holy Father" because it is made to sustain his claim to be an *earthly monarch and above civil rulers*, on which he presumes to intrude into civil affairs. The Rev. Henry A. Brann,

D.D., LL.D., in "Waifs and Strays," published by the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary in 1909, and bearing the imprimatur of John M. Farley, Archbishop of New York, says of the Pope: "He is an elected Monarch.... He is above the Civil Ruler in his spiritual capacity as chief priest, and chief executive of the natural order.... He is above their king or emperor or president, and when they appeal to him for a decision in a case disputed between them and their ruler, it is his duty to decide, and he, being infallible, must decide in favor of honesty, morality and liberty, even though by doing so he may have to condemn some mighty potentate and draw on himself his enmity" (pp. 187, 188).

The Pope as a Bridle of Princes

Dealing with the Pope as judge between princes and people, the Jesuit writer, F. X. Weninger, aggressive missionary in the United States, quoted De Maistre, in "Essai sur l'Histoire Generale." This is most revealing as to the aim and purpose of Roman propagandists to exalt the Pope to the throne of the world. Protestants everywhere would do well to note these words: "The interests of mankind demand a bridle by which princes may be restrained, and the people saved. This bridle might by common consent be placed in the hands of the Roman Pontiffs. Such a High Priest, mingling in worldly conflicts only to silence them, admonishing alike the sovereign and his people of their duties, condemning their crimes and visiting his excommunication on great wrongs, would be looked upon as the living representative and likeness of God upon the earth" (*ibid.*, p. 230).

Here, then, we have a Jesuit worker and writer in America, endorsed by the Pope, telling us of the Pope's *mingling in worldly conflicts* and being looked upon as *the living representative and likeness of God upon the earth*. Anyone who knows history, knows how the Popes have *kindled and mingled in world conflicts*. This writer also speaks of kings and emperors in submission to the Pope, as "prostrate before his throne" (*ibid.*, p. 235).

Romish literature adds one blasphemy to another! In giving Peter's

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... Old-fashioned Revivals ...

SPIRIT AND TRUTH

These are the words of Jesus when He set the standard for true worship in John 4:24. Whether you call it on the battlefield or on the firing line for the Lord, the surest way to win for God and the right is by the power of the Spirit and the power of truth. Preaching and teaching the Word of God, as did Paul, in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, coupled with love for and obedience to truth will yet meet with His favor and be crowned with His blessings. This has proved true all through our work for Him and especially so this fall at Linden and Plant City.

Beginning Wednesday, September 21, at Linden, and continuing through October 2, there were either 4 or 5 that received the Holy Ghost, 4 baptized in water, and 4 added to the church. Had not the heavy rains and high water hindered many from regular attendance, we know not what the results would have been.

Starting Tuesday, October 4, and continuing through the 16th at Plant City, the reports were that more than 20 received the Holy Ghost, 40 united with the church, and 42 were baptized in water. This meeting reached as glorious a climax as any we have been in. The powers of darkness would sweep in against these meetings yet the power of the Holy Ghost and the power of HOLY TRUTH would overrule Satan and his forces, and souls would go on to victory.

It is so gratifying to see those who have received experiences from the Lord present themselves for membership in His Church and take an obligation to live according to its teachings and cooperate in carrying out its program or mission. Both pastors, Brother Bryan at Linden and Brother Alderman at Plant City, and their families, along with the members and friends, were so good to us that we will ever feel more and more indebted to them. Our prayer is that heaven's richest blessings may be theirs.—Yours for Christ and the Church, seeking to help save the lost, Brother and Sister R. P. Johnson, 196 E. 13th. St., Hialeah, Fla.

PIEDMONT, S. C.—We have just closed a 5 weeks' revival with Rev. and

Mrs. J. B. Sloan doing the preaching. There were 15 saved, 13 sanctified, and 8 filled with the Holy Ghost. The church was operating as a mission at the time, but at the close of the revival the church was set in order with 22 members, for which we thank our Lord. A number were divinely healed and others drawn closer to God. Brother and Sister Sloan preached the Bible in the old-time way. We, at Piedmont, greatly appreciate them and their service.—Mrs. R. J. Epps, Clerk.

E. GADSDEN, Ala.—The Lord really did bless in a wonderful revival held here. There were 27 saved, 9 sanctified, and 12 filled with the Holy Ghost. We love the Lord and pray that we can be a better soul winner for Him.—Vivian A. Boyles.

NEWPORT, Ind.—We are happy to report a wonderful revival with Sister Edna Price, of Tipton, Ind., doing the preaching. There were 2 saved. After Sister Price left there were 2 saved and 1 of them received the Holy Ghost. Sister Price returned again on August 21, and held revival services until September 5. There was 1 saved and 1 filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for us here that we will always be doing His precious will and that more souls will be saved and added to the church.—Mattie Claspell, Pastor.

ROCK CITY, Ala.—We praise God for a wonderful revival conducted by our pastor, Paul Mashburn. People came from far and near and the altar was filled each evening. The Holy Ghost power was there in a great way to save, sanctify, and fill with the Holy Ghost.

WHEELWRIGHT, Ky.—We thank God for the two weeks' revival which has just come to a close here. The Spirit of the Lord was surely with us in every service. There were 11 saved, 2 sanctified, and a number to be baptized in water and added to the church. Brother Roy Dagnan, of Walins Creek, Ky., was the evangelist, and he did some wonderful preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Brother Dagnan is a man of prayer. He also had special healing services

twice a week, and many folks were healed of different diseases. We are also glad for our new pastor, Rev. David Shepherd. Pray that God will give us a great year.—Mrs. L. Napier, Clerk.

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—We have just closed a wonderful revival at the Bancroft Church of God, with Sister Estelle Slaughter as the evangelist. Seventeen were saved, 20 sanctified, 17 baptized with the Holy Ghost and 10 baptized in water. Sister Slaughter is a wonderful woman of the Lord and would be a blessing to any church. She is the sister of Rev. C. J. Hindmon, state overseer of Oklahoma.—James K. Earls, Pastor.

TOWNSEND, Ga.—We have just closed a wonderful revival, with Rev. Jona Ritter doing the preaching. The Lord surely did bless in a great way. Thirteen were saved, 12 sanctified, 8 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 7 baptized in water. Brother and Sister Ritter are truly children of God, and anyone would do well to get them for a revival. We have a good pastor, Brother John Cox.—A Sister.

ISOLA, Miss.—We thank the Lord for a two weeks' revival here at Bethel Church of God, conducted by Sister Thelma Massengill. Seventeen were saved and sanctified, 12 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 17 baptized in water and added to the church. We have a fine Sunday School and Y. P. E.—Mrs. Evie Weeks.

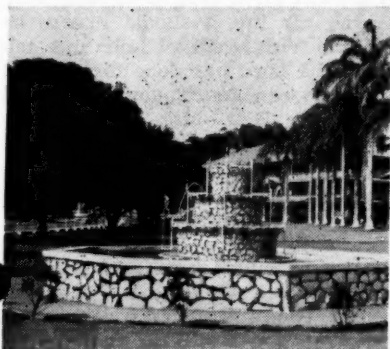
HEIFER, Ark.—We are still rejoicing over a two weeks' meeting held at the Heifer Community Hall by Rev. Milton Baiser, of near Marked Tree, Ark. Brother Baiser is truly a man of God and has gone all out for the Lord's work. There were many blessed and many seeking the Holy Ghost each night.—Mrs. Maggie Perry Coats.

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"THERE IS A FOUNTAIN"

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that
flood,

Lose all their guilty stains."

At the close of one of my sermons, a lady came up to me and said, "You really don't believe that old stuff, do you? You can't say 'There is a fountain filled with blood,' can you?"

"With what can you fill it?" I asked.

"Will you fill it with *education*? There are many young men in universities who have education, but no peace. They have education, but not salvation.

"Will you fill it with *culture*? The most cultured state that ever existed—Greece—fell through her own rottenness.

"Will you fill it with *art*? Great art did not make the Renaissance morally pure. With what will you fill it?"

The lady answered slowly, "I don't know."

"But the world needs cleansing," said I, "and I am willing to sing that old song, for experience has taught us that *at the cross of Christ there is peace, and forgiveness, and a new life.*"

Men have filled their fountains with everything else but "blood." The blood of Christ can and does remove all guilt and the stain thereof. The world may look upon it as "old stuff," but it is ever new and true. Dr. Marsh tells of this blood in a striking way:

"A young American soldier, whose legs had been amputated, and also one arm, because of one of the bloody conflicts during the late war was being attended by one of the devoted nurses, who was a believer in Christ. She saw that the brave lad was dying, and asked him if he would like to write home. He immediately asked, 'Am I going out, Nurse?' She replied, 'Yes.' She sought also to point him to Christ as the Saviour and Friend of sinners, when he suddenly looked up and said, 'I am going out, but I guess the line holds.'"

The scarlet line of Christ's atoning blood always holds, for the blood of Christ's atoning satisfies God.

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul"—Lev. 17:11.

The blood secures peace: "For it pleased the Father that in him should

all fulness dwell; and having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself"—Col. 1:19, 20.

The blood brings justification: "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him"—Rom. 5:9.

The blood bestows redemption: "In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sin, according to the riches of his grace"—Eph. 1:7.

The blood "makes nigh": "But now in Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ"—Eph. 2:13.

The blood obtains forgiveness: "In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins"—Col. 1:14.

The blood effects sanctification: "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate"—Heb. 13:12.

The blood works perfection: "Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, to whom be glory forever and ever"—Heb. 13:20, 21.

The blood gives victory: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony"—Rev. 12:11.

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... Divinely Healed ...

FRANKLIN, N. C.—I thank God for saving, sanctifying, and filling me with the Holy Ghost, and for healing me of stomach trouble. I also thank Him for healing my leg.—Ernest W. Cobe, Sr.

CONWAY, S. C.—I praise God for His wonderful healing power. God so wonderfully undertook for my two little boys. They had a high temperature and I prayed and God touched their bodies.—Mrs. Minnie Graham.

I praise God for what He has done for me. I praise Him for touching my arm and healing it. I thank God that I am a Church of God member. My heart's desire is to hold up the blood stained banner before this sinful world.—Mrs. Milton R. Jarman.

STATESBORO, Ga.—I praise God for His wonderful blessings to me and for His sweet peace in my soul. I was suffering from acid kidneys and we prayed and the Lord gave me relief, for which I praise Him.—Florence E. Sturm.

MOBILE, Ala.—Perhaps you remember my calling you last summer while my father was in the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Gadsden, Alabama, and requesting prayer the day before his serious operation, at seventy-seven years. The doctor had very little hopes of his recovery, but praise the Lord, it was wonderful how the Lord undertook and how my father came out victoriously. I remember while praying in the hospital, when I had given up all hopes, the Lord said, "Watch! There is nothing impossible with God." Thank God, I watched and waited with all faith in Him and I saw it come to pass.—Amelia L. Sieber.

HATTIESBURG, Miss.—I praise God for completely healing me of T. B. I had an x-ray made a few weeks ago and there is no sign of T. B., not even a scar. I'm so thankful for being a child of God and for Jesus' many blessings.—B. R. Denham.

I truly praise the Lord for His healing power. I had heart trouble and

the doctors said I wouldn't ever be able to work anymore, but they didn't know it all. God healed me and I haven't been bothered with heart trouble any more.—Mrs. A. F. Lowe.

DODDSVILLE, Miss.—I thank God for blessing me in so many ways. I had something wrong with my head and almost lost my hearing, but the Lord healed me overnight.—Mrs. Margie Mitchell.

LESTER, W. Va.—I thank God for His love and mercy to me. I thank and praise Him for touching my body recently. I also praise Him for old-time, Holy Ghost salvation and a determination to go all the way. I know His grace is sufficient to take us over every trial or test.—Mrs. I. M. Guthrie.

I praise God for healing my little girl of a terrible boil on her chin. At times it looked like it hurt her so she couldn't live, but God gave her relief. God can and will heal anything.—Mrs. G. F. Newton.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I was in a T. B. sanatorium and the doctors all thought it impossible for me to be out so soon, but thanks be to God, He heard the prayers of His people, and I am out working harder than ever.—Floyd Haygood.

DILLON, S. C.—I praise the Lord for what He means to me. About three weeks ago I was very bad off with asthma, but we prayed and God healed me. He has healed me many times, for which I praise Him. I praise God for the Church of God. I feel like it is the best place on earth for a child of God to be.—Florence Coats.

EAST LYNN, W. Va.—I praise God for His wonderful healing power. When my husband was pastor of the Church of God at Seth, W. Va., I wasn't able to attend services, and I can never forget how the good people there stood by us. The Lord has done many things for me since. I am able to go to church and do a lot

of work. I know God is the One who spared my life. I should like to be able to visit each church and tell what the Lord has done for me and what He can do for you if you will only serve Him.—Mrs. Paul Ross.

OPP, Ala.—In June our little four-year-old boy had meningitis and was very low. He didn't know anything for hours, and it looked like death was near; but we were looking to God and His precious Word for help. Between two and four o'clock that morning, the Lord healed him, and he got up and ate and began to play. Jesus is so wonderful.—Mrs. Cleo Miller.

GAINESVILLE, Fla.—I am praising God for healing my body of cancer of the kidney. This happened in June during the Wimauma camp meeting. I had been having hemorrhages for a short time, but on Monday I had one after another until I lost all the blood I had, and I died. My sister laid me out for dead, but she and her two children continued to pray for me until God let me come back. Glory to God! We all trust God for divine healing. I know He healed me, but now I have some kind of female trouble. The old devil doesn't want me to testify, but I know Jesus can heal me of this. I love Jesus more than anything else in this world, and I have given Him the rest of my life to use as He sees best. Pray for my healing.—Eunice Bailey.

I was operated on July 22 and on the following day I was on the brink of eternity, already having death spells. I felt that there was nothing that the doctors could do, so I put my trust in the Lord, realizing that when all else fails there is One who never fails. Rev. Luther Turner and Evangelist Angley came to my bedside and united their prayers to God in my behalf. The death spells grew lighter and lighter. The following day I was stricken with another spell and I lifted my heart in simple faith and asked the Lord to touch my body and make it possible for me to get out of bed. Of course, the Friend that never fails heard my prayer and that afternoon I got out of bed and dressed. Praise His holy name! Truly He is the great Physician and in Him do I trust with all my heart. I solicit each of your prayers.—Mrs. H. B. Boutwell, 1120 Hardy St., Hattiesburg, Miss.

Signs of the Last Days

Evangelist Margaret L. Watson, Timonium, Maryland

In Matt. 24:3, we find Jesus on the Mount of Olives with His disciples, discussing the last days and the signs of His coming. Jesus said, "... take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many," Matt. 24:4, 5.

Now, let us look around us and see these signs fulfilled, and we can surely say we are living in the last day. Many have come in His name, even claiming to be Christ, and have deceived many. False prophets and false teachers are here today leading many precious souls captive into a false doctrine. Then, seeing these fulfilled signs of the last days, we cannot but know that Jesus is coming soon. Let us look at some of the last day signs that are already fulfilled. Dan. 12:4, "... many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." Today there is such a spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction among people. They are moving from city to city and from country to country, going from one place to another, seeking something to satisfy the feeling of unrest in their hearts but do not find it, because they have not looked to the great Rock of Ages—Christ Jesus, the great Rock of our eternal salvation, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world and brings peace to the troubled heart. If people everywhere, and nations far and wide, would retrace their steps, come back to the cross of Calvary, and get a glimpse of Jesus, the matchless Son of God, dying there between heaven and earth to pardon the dying sinner, then they would find peace, pardon, satisfaction, and a perfect salvation. It is offered unto all who will accept it. That is why there is such a spirit of unrest and discontentment in the world today. People have forsaken the way of life and are walking in their own way, and without Him there is no peace, and there is no rest to the wicked, thus saith the Lord.

In Nahum 2:3, 4, we find some more of the signs of the last days fulfilled—the automobile, the airplane and such traveling devices—crash, jostling together in the streets, taking the lives of many, sending men's souls into eternity in the twinkling of an eye. The world today is traveling to destruction

at a speed unheard of before. People and nations have become so wise that they are trying to control the times and seasons and trying to do away with the Word of God. There are false teachers and preachers teaching that there is no hell and that God would be too just to punish His own creation. But God's Word tells us that hell is prepared for the devil and his angels. His angels are all those who forsake the right way and deny the Christ of Calvary. It is true that God will not send His people to hell, but if you have not been born again and accepted Jesus as your Saviour, you do not belong to God. God does not send anyone to hell. If people go to hell, they go there by choice and by intruding on the devil's territory. Psalm 9:17, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 7:11 says that God is angry with the wicked. We are surely living in the last days in the evening of time, just about the going down of the sun. This is a time when we should have our lamps full of oil, trimmed and burning brightly, and watching for His coming. It cannot be long now for the time is so near that the signs are fulfilled every day before our eyes. He tells us, then, to lift our heads and look toward heaven for our redemption draweth nigh.

We see in the Church another sign of the last days fulfilled. People have become careless and unconcerned, drifting away from God, forsaking the assembling of themselves together to worship God. Those who were once filled with the Spirit of God are now neglecting the church and its work. They are sitting at home in their easy chair sleeping or engaging themselves in reading the Sunday comics in the newspapers while the Sunday School is neglected. Teachers are needed to teach the Word of God. Shame on professing men and women who try to excuse themselves for being absent from the service of God, when truly they have no excuse only just plain neglect and carelessness in almost every case, and this is another fulfilled sign of the last days in which we are living. Do you think God will excuse us for our neglect and shortcomings? No, I am sure He will not, but we will

find ourselves outside the gate because of carelessness and neglect, failing to keep the fire of God burning in our souls.

Now, let us look at some more of the signs of the last days as given in the New Testament. "Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation," 2 Peter 3:3, 4. They are demanding some proof of His coming, showing themselves ignorant of the signs taking place in their own lives, while they walk after their own ungodly lusts and deny the power of God. But God said in verse 7 that, "the heavens and earth which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men."

Jesus told us in Matt. 24:24 that false Christs would come in the last days, and are they not here now? Many of them are deceiving and damning the souls of many thousands, while we who have the true light of the gospel sit at ease in Zion, neglecting our duty as Christians, failing to stand out on the Word of God and go in and possess the land God has laid before us. It is high time for Christians everywhere to awake and put on the whole armor of God and take a firm stand against sin in the church, in the home, and everywhere, lest Jesus come and find us sleeping.

"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold," Matt. 24:12. Are we not living in the days when men and women's hearts have waxed cold? They are without natural affection, false accusers, truce breakers, and lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. From such turn away.

Luke 21:34, "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." We are living in a day when people's hearts are so filled with the cares of this life and deceitfulness of riches that they have no time for Jesus. Many have gone back in sin and lost the blessing. Wake up, cold professing church members, who are living now on the pastor's overflow, and get renewed in the Spirit of God and get the latter rain of the Spirit in your own hearts lest the day of the Lord come and find you sleeping.

Some Things to Think About



A PRAYER-OPENING FOR UN

An award of \$1,000 for an appropriate prayer to be used to open each session of the United Nations will be given by Mr. Martin Schweaber, former president of the Jamacia Jewish Center. The so-called "statement" is to symbolize the ideals of the world organization and honor the memory of those who have fought and died to uphold these ideals. Mr. Schweaber is confident that it will be possible for someone to fashion an "expression of faith" in which all member nations can concur without abandoning their individual beliefs.

STEPS LEADING TO HATE

By REV. E. E. SHELHAMER

"Let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbor; and love no false oath; for all these are things that I hate, saith the Lord" (Zech. 8:17).

We are living in a world of misunderstanding and hate. This pertains not only to individuals, but also to nations. Let us see how it begins in the heart, then breaks out in the life:

1. I do not quite understand him.
2. I do not quite agree with him.
3. Now I feel biased against him.
4. And now I pull off from him.
5. Hence, I shut him out of my company.
6. Then I quietly warn others against him.
7. Now I openly speak evil of him.
8. And now I violently oppose him.
9. Hence, I can listen with inward satisfaction to anything that hurts him.
10. And finally, I would ruin him, or any member of his household, if I had the opportunity and my black heart did not fear detection.

"Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth: lest the Lord see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him" (Prov. 24:17, 18).—Selected.

LACK OF RELIGION WRECKS HOMES

In the matter of home building and home wrecking we are traveling at a frenzied pace. In 1867, the number of

divorces in the United States to 100,000 population was 27; in 1906, it stood at 86; in 1926, at 154; in 1946, at 230.

Again, in 1911, when work on the play "Why Marry?" was begun, there was 1 divorce for every 12 marriages. By the time the play was produced in 1917, the ratio stood at 1 to 10; and at the present time, it is approximately 1 to 3.

Divided Homes

The parents of about 3.5 per cent of all children in the United States are divorced.

Three quarters of a century ago, Americans were esteemed as among the most virtuous, law-abiding people on the face of the globe. Then came the teachers of a new liberalism, and iconoclasts who declared that the Bible is no more sacred than last year's almanac, that religion is but a system of human creeds and ethics, and that marriage is only "a polite conventionality of a changing, transitory age."

—National Prohibitionist

MOVIES SCHOOL YOUNG IN CRIME, SAYS PROF

Laramie, Wyo.—A Yale university professor told summer graduates at the University of Wyoming's commencement exercises that the movies "school our boys and girls in lust and crime."

Dr. Samuel Flagg Bemis, who teaches diplomatic history, also tossed punches in his speech at three other "blots on American culture."

He said the radio "has become a lottery of ignorance and a dispenser of prizes for boobs..."

He said the slick magazines are "gaudy mirrors of American culture... textbooks for making morons of us all."

Bemis described comic books as "the Bible of little tots, the rock and refuge of some of our big fry, too."

—The Western Voice

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

The biennial General Council of the Assemblies of God, held recently in the Seattle Civic Auditorium, drew 5,000 ministers and delegates from every section of the United States, as well as Canada, Mexico, and other foreign countries. The Council this year was

of particular interest in that the Rev. Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, retired from office after twenty years of service. He was replaced by the Rev. Wesley R. Steelberg, youth leader and one of the Assistant Superintendents of the organization. Three other Assistant Superintendents, the Reverends Ralph Riggs, Gayle F. Lewis, and Fred Volger, were returned to office, as was the Rev. J. R. Flower, General Secretary, the Rev. Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, and the Rev. Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary. The Rev. Bert Webb, District Superintendent of the Southern Missouri District Council of the Assemblies of God, was elected to take the office of Assistant Superintendent succeeding the Reverend Steelberg.

A plan to provide an old age retirement program for ministers of the Assemblies of God was rejected as being too costly to the churches. Further study along this line was ordered and a committee appointed in this matter. Discussion concerning the educational program of the denomination resulted in the affirmation of the five-year program of study and the presentation of degrees by Central Bible Institute, the main school of the Assemblies of God, at Springfield, Missouri.

Reports given at the General Council revealed a healthy growth in the denomination in every phase. Nearly 700 missionaries are now on 52 fields of the world. The youth organizations have raised more than half a million dollars in their "Speed-the-Light" program to be used in providing modern transportation and equipment for missionaries. A goal of a million dollars by 1951 was set. One of the outstanding projects is the purchase of a four-engine C46 "Ambassador" which has flown more than 100,000 miles on eight transatlantic trips with missionaries and their equipment.

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WHY MILLIONS DO NOT CALL THE POPE "HOLY FATHER"

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answer to the question of our Lord, "But whom say ye that I am?" the Latin Vulgate expresses it, *Tu es Christus*, i.e., "Thou art Christ," or, "Thou art the Christ." This is the identical expression quoted approvingly by Jesuit F. X. Weninger of the Pope. He says: "Thus Abbot Andreas, Delegate of the Christians of Egypt and Ethiopia, addressing the Pope in public audience, says, in the name of the nations whose representative he was: 'Thou art Christ and His Vicar... thou art the Sovereign of Kings and the greatest of all teachers'" ("Infallible Authority of the Pope," pp. 239, 240).

The True Vicar of Christ

The Roman Church knows it is a sheer impossibility to prove (quoting from the Knights of Columbus advertisement) "The Catholic Church traces its unbroken history back to the Apostles—back to Christ," or that Peter was the first Pope. There is not a vestige of trustworthy historical data to support such a theory. Space forbids telling of the broken links in the chain of succession of the Popes, as given by the Jesuits, Labbe and Bossart, who also tell of the frequent schisms resulting from the contests of rival Popes.

The true Vicar of Christ is not a mortal man, but the Holy Spirit, the divine Paraclete. The Lord Jesus said, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things" (John 14:26). Commenting on "whom the Father will send in my name," Tholuck, Weiss, and others render "in my name" as meaning "in my stead," "as my representative." This is the exact meaning of the title "vicar"—to act in the stead of another.

Thus the Pope by the title "Holy Father," intrudes himself into the place of God the Father by the appellation, "Thou art Christ," he is included into the province of Christ; and by the title, "Vicar of Christ," he intrudes himself into the office of the Holy Spirit.

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth... He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you" (John 16:13, 14).

—The Sunday School Times

A NAIL IN A SURE PLACE

(Continued from page 7)

Did you help? Are you still faithful in service?

In the church of which we are proud to be a member, there is the Sunday School to build. Are you a nail in the sure place there? or, do you have to sleep and get your rest on Sunday mornings, as that is your only rest day?

The Young People's Endeavor needs a boost, but, of course, that is just for the young people. Let us not forget that the devil is bidding hard for the young people and we must work to save them. Come on, let's be a nail in a sure place in the Y. P. E. service. Tell the young people, "You can hang something on me, for I'll be there to help." Be a nail in a sure place.

What about your church attendance in general? Can you be counted on? Do people say, "I know he will be there"? That is what it takes to build any church. If you can't do anything but be in church, do that. You will be a nail in a sure place.

There is a minister at your church who lives of the gospel and, thank the Lord, there are some "sure nails" that see that his needs are supplied. Are you among that number? or, are you willing to let others take care of that? Be a nail in a sure place each week and let your pastor feel that he can depend on you to help him fill his place. That is what God desires of each one.

There are all kinds of responsibilities too numerous to mention that we should be willing to help hold. Don't fall out of the sure place when you see it is responsibility rather than glory that is to be hung on you. Just take it as it comes and there will be plenty of glory along with the rest. What a wonderful compliment Jesus gave Peter, when He said, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church." Can the Lord say of us, "On your kind of faith, vision, courage, love and enthusiasm, I will build"? Am I the kind of material with which the Lord wants to build? Let us be as dependable as a nail in a sure place and we shall see the cause of Christ grow by leaps and bounds. Amen.

OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints," Ps. 116:15.

LANKFORD

Brother Kelly Lankford, of Danville, Va., fell asleep in Jesus Aug. 13, 1949. He was a member of the Church of God, and was loved by all who knew him. He is survived by his widow and five children. His funeral was conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. O. Dennis, and former pastor, J. G. Houck. Our loss is heaven's gain.—Mrs. T. O. Dennis, Reporter.

ROBERTS

Brother Marion Roberts departed this life Sept. 1, 1949, at the age of sixty-six years. He was a member of the Church of God at Hazel Green, Ky., for some years. We are in deepest sympathy with his wife, six sons, and three daughters in the passing away of the one they loved.—Mrs. Callie Moore, Clerk.

REYNOLDS

Sister Alif Reynolds passed away Sept. 13, 1949, at the age of fifty-one. Sister Reynolds was a member of the Church of God at Baxter, Fla. She was a faithful wife and mother and was loved by all who knew her.—Ida Gainy, Clerk.

DANIEL

On October 5, God called our dear mother, Mrs. Martha Daniel, home to be with Him. She was 77 years, 8 months, and 14 days. She was a faithful member of the Church of God for some 30 years. She leaves to mourn her death 4 daughters, 2 sons, 19 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. R. Harrawood and Rev. Jeffery Simpson in the Church of God at Wallins Creek, Ky.—Mrs. Rice Miller.

FREEMAN

Sister Exie Freeman passed away to be with Jesus at the age of 63 years. She was a faithful and loyal member of the Church of God at St. Pauls, N. C. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. C. Cudd, and Rev. J. W. Powers, of Bladenboro, N. C.—C. R. Guyton, Clerk.

HONEYCUTT

On Aug. 19, 1949, the death angel came to the home of Sister Honeycutt and took her to be with Jesus. Her life was a beautiful life for God. She was a member of the Church of God for over 15 years and she lived a clean life, true to the teachings of the Church. Funeral services were conducted in her home church by her pastor, Lillie Hamilton.

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